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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1637
Brian Lentricchia, et al.) Confirmation No.: 9843
Serial No.: 10/053,349) Examiner: Jeffrey Siew
Filed: January 15, 2002)
For: NUCLEIC ACID EXTRACTION)
SOLUTION AND USE THEREOF)

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Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed February 25, 2004, for the above-referenced application, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Claims 16-40 (Group II), drawn to method of extracting, classified in class 435, subclass 6.

Examination of the application is requested. Any questions regarding the above election should be brought to undersigned's attention.

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